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SUBJECT: PRC ORDERS TWO GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY SHIPS FROM JAPAN

1. AN OFFICIAL OF THE MITSUI TRADING COMPANY HAS CONFIRMED A PRESS REPORT TO THE EFFECT THAT THE PRC HAD ORDERED TWO GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY VESSELS FOR OIL AND GAS TO BE DELIVERED IN DECEMBER 1978 AND FEBRUARY 1979, AT A COST OF 3.5 BILLION YEN (APPROX. US\$14.6 MILLION), TO BE PAID IN CASH, THE OFFICIAL SAID THE EXPORT WOULD REQUIRE THE USUAL VALIDATED EXPORT LICENSES FOR CERTAIN EQUIPMENT WHICH HE DECLINED TO ITEMIZE, BUT DESCRIBED AS MINOR.

2. THE PRESS ACCOUNT STATED THAT MITSUI ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING WOULD BUILD THE 1,500 TON SHIPS, WHICH WOULD HAVE SONIC AND MAGNETIC SURVEY CAPABILITIES. SPECIFICATIONS ARE: LOA - 79 METERS; BREADTH - 13.4 METERS; DRAFT - 4.6 METERS; MAXIMUM SPEED - 15 KNOTS; CREW - 51. THE VESSELS WILL HAVE TWO 2100 H.P. DIESEL ENGINES, TWO PROPELLERS, SOUND INSULATION, AND BOW THRUSTERS.

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